

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend paragraph [0026] as follows:

[0026] For the control of the packages according to the invention, the shifting unit 6 is connected to a control unit (not shown), which is preferably computer-based and functioning to govern the procedure of speed control and package 4 shifting in the shifting unit 6, a/o in dependence of the speed of the incoming track 3 and the properties of the shifting unit 6 and the outgoing track 9, respectively. Thus, the invention could be said to include means for control of the speed regulation and of the shifting of the shifting unit, said means comprising a control unit connected to the shifting unit 6, conveyor means being controlled to a suitable speed, and means for the actual pivoting of the shifting unit 63 (preferably consisting of an electrical motor controlled by commands from the control unit so as to initiate the shifting at the appropriate points in time), all used for separating the units 4 in the longitudinal direction of the flow, enabling said shifting. The invention enables a control procedure at a very high average flow rate or speed. In particular, shifting can be performed while a continuous flow of packages 4 is passing through the shifting unit 6.